AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended): A laser device including an amplifying section in which a laser medium is amplified to oscillate laser light, and an optical element for separating part of the laser light oscillated in said amplifying section, shaping a beam form of the laser light into a desired form to output the same,

wherein said optical element has at least either one of a partial reflecting portion for partially reflecting the laser light or a non-reflective portion for transmitting the laser light at high transmissivity, each of which is provided on approximately a center portion, and a total reflecting portion which is provided outside a perimeter of said partial reflecting portion or said non-reflective portion, and which reflects the laser light at high reflectivity to return the laser light to said amplifying section, wherein at least a part of an outer periphery of said partial reflecting portion or said non-reflective portion is formed in a shape of a straight line in a direction parallel with ~~discharge~~ a straight line part of a periphery of the desired form.

Claim 2. (Currently Amended): A laser device including an amplifying section in which a laser medium is amplified to oscillate laser light, comprising:

a front mirror having a partial reflecting portion which is provided on approximately a center portion and partially reflects the laser light, and a total reflecting portion which is provided outside a perimeter of said partial reflecting portion and reflects the laser light at high reflectivity, ~~wherein at least a part of an outer periphery of said partial reflecting portion is formed in a shape of a straight line in a direction parallel with discharge,~~

wherein said front mirror separates part of the laser light oscillated in said amplifying section, and shapes a beam form of the laser light into a desired form to output the same, and

at least a part of an outer periphery of said partial reflecting portion is formed in a shape of a straight line in a direction parallel with a straight line part of a periphery of the desired form.

Claim 3. (Canceled)

Claim 4. (Canceled)

Claim 5. (Canceled)